

## CLAIMS:

1. A system for purchasing products from a plurality of unrelated merchants offering products for purchase through electronic commerce systems, said system comprising:  
5           an information gatherer for obtaining information from a target merchant relating to available products for purchase, said target merchant being at least one of the plurality of unrelated merchants; and  
10           a purchase requester for providing the target merchant with a purchase request made on behalf of the purchaser.

15           2. The system according to claim 1 wherein the information gatherer includes:  
              a merchant information gatherer for obtaining product information from the target merchant about a product to be purchased by the purchaser;  
              a purchaser information gatherer for obtaining information about the purchaser making the purchase of the product.

20           3. The system according to claim 2 wherein the merchant information gatherer includes:  
              a product location gatherer for obtaining a location on an electronic commerce system of the target merchant of product information for the product to be purchased through the electronic commerce system.

25           4. The system according to claim 1 wherein the purchase requester includes:  
              an information checker for checking product and purchaser information to determine if sufficient information has been provided for a purchase transaction; and  
              a transaction creator for interfacing with the target merchant to purchase the product.

30           5. A method for purchasing products from a plurality of unrelated merchants offering products for purchase through electronic commerce systems, said method comprising:  
              obtaining information from a target merchant relating to available products for purchase, said target merchant being at least one of the plurality of unrelated  
35           merchants; and

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providing the target merchant with a purchase request made on behalf of the purchaser.

6. The method according to claim 5 wherein the step of obtaining information from the target merchant includes:

5 gathering product information from the target merchant for a product to be purchased by the purchaser; and

obtaining information about the purchaser.

10 7. The method according to claim 6 wherein the step of gathering product information includes;

15 gathering a location on an electronic commerce system of the target merchant of product information for the product to be purchased on the electronic commerce system.

15 8. The method according to claim 5 wherein the step of providing the target merchant with a purchase request includes:

information has been provided for a purchase transaction; and

20 interfacing with the target merchant to purchase the product.

9. A computer readable medium having stored thereon computer-executable instructions for purchasing products from a plurality of unrelated merchants offering products for purchase through electronic commerce systems, the computer-

25 executable instructions performing the steps comprising:

obtaining information from a target merchant relating to available products for purchase, said target merchant being at least one of the plurality of unrelated merchants; and

30 providing the target merchant with a purchase request made on behalf of the purchaser.

10. The computer-readable medium according to claim 9 wherein the step of obtaining information from the target merchant includes:

gathering product information from the target merchant for a product to be purchased by the purchaser; and

35 obtaining information about the purchaser.

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11. The computer-readable medium according to claim 10 wherein the step of gathering product information includes;

gathering a location on an electronic commerce system of the target

5 merchant of product information for the product to be purchased on the electronic commerce system.

12. The computer-readable medium according to claim 9 wherein the step of providing the target merchant with a purchase request includes:

10 checking product and purchaser information to determine if sufficient information has been provided for a purchase transaction; and

interfacing with the target merchant to purchase the product.